ഡാക്ടർ ഇ. എസ്. ആർ. മേനോൻ (*Director of Public Health and Panchayats*).— ധനസ്ഥിതിയനുസരിച്ചു ഗവൺമെൻറിൽനിന്നു മാറുന്നതിനു ഏർപ്പാടു ചെയ്യുന്നതാണ്.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി (*Muslims*).— ഇപ്പോൾ രണ്ടു ശ്മശാന സ്ഥലങ്ങൾ അവിടെയുണ്ട്. എന്നാൽ മറെറാരു സ്ഥലം ആളുകൾ വില കൊടുത്തു വാങ്ങി തരുന്നപക്ഷം ഈ സ്ഥലം മാറിത്തരുന്നതിന് ഗവൺമെൻറിനു വിരോധമുണ്ടോ എന്നാണു ചോദിക്കുന്നതു്.

ഡാക്ടർ ഇ. എസ്സ്. ആർ. മേനോൻ (*Director of Public Health and Panchayats*).— അതിനെപ്പററി ആലോചിക്കാം.

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. ഈച്ചരമേനോൻ (*Chittur Rural*).— ശ്മശാനമോ പള്ളിയോ ആദ്യംവന്നതു്?

Under-graduates—Departmental tests—passing of.

273. Mr. A. Narayana Menon (*Vyttila*).— Will the Government be pleased to state whether under-graduates have not to pass the departmental tests to be able to rise to the grade of Rs. 40—60?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (*Secretary to Government*).— Yes.

Typists—grade of.

274. Mr. A. Narayana Menon (*Vyttila*).— Will the Government be pleased to state whether typists who have put in 10 years' service as typists are allowed to automatically rise to the grade of Rs. 40—60?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (*Secretary to Government*).— Yes.

Accidents—Electrification of Trichur and Ernakulam.

275. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar (*Urakam*).— Will the Government be pleased to state the number and nature of the accidents that have taken place in connection with the electrification of Trichur and Ernakulam?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (*Secretary to Government*).— There were 4 accidents.

(i) A line-cooly slipped down a pole, sustained injuries and died soon after.

(ii) A line-man slipped into a road side pit and received a scratch on his chin.

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(iii) Another cooly fell down from a pole into the pit below and sustained some minor injuries.

(iv) A cooly working in the power-house at Ernakulam received a shook and slight burning on his hand while trying to put out fire from a burning wire.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Urakam).*— Were all these coolies regularly qualified to do that work?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*— They must be qualified. Otherwise they would not have been engaged.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Urakam).*—Is there any rule that the coolies should undergo training before they do such technical work?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*— Apart from any rule, only people who are qualified would be engaged.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Urakam).*—Did the Government make any enquiry as regards the experiences of these coolies?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*— It was not necessary.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Urakam).*— Is it not the duty of the Government to see that for such technical works coolies with particular training are employed?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*— Government have no reason to think otherwise.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Urakam).*— Why is it that they had no reason to think otherwise in view of these accidents during so short a period?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*— Accidents may happen even with coolies of experience.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Urakam).*—Accidents may take place in the case of skilled coolies as well as unskilled coolies. But did the Government satisfy themselves that in the case of these accidents the coolies were really skilled coolies?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*— In the case of one, they did.

Mr. K. M. Kunhi Moideen *(Kattur).*—Has any compensation been given?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*— An amount of Rs. 300 was paid, that is, 30 times the monthly pay.

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